BEFORE THE CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD'S AD HOC COMMITTEE

IN THE MATTER OF THE:)
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PUBLIC HEARING ON THE)
APPEAL OF DENIAL OF)
DEMENNO/KERDOON'S RECYCLIN	1G)
EQUIPMENT TAX CREDIT)
APPLICATION)
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DATE AND TIME: THURSDAY,

JULY 24, 1997

2:35 P.M.

PLACE: BOARD ROOM

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CENTER DRIVE SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

REPORTER: BETH C.

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CALL TO ORDER

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ITEM 1: APPEAL OF DENIAL OF DEMENNO/KERDOON'S RECYCLING EQUIPMENT TAX CREDIT APPLICATION

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ACTION TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT

EXHIBITS ATTACHED

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1 COOPERS & LYBRAND POSITION PAPER

- 1 SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA; THURSDAY, JULY 24, 1997
- 2:35 P.M.

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- 4 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: I THINK WE'RE
- 5 READY. I THANK YOU ALL FOR GIVING US AN
- 6 OPPORTUNITY TO GET A QUICK SANDWICH AND A BREAK
- 7 FROM A MEETING THAT STARTED AT 8:15 THIS MORNING.
- 8 THANK YOU.
- 9 SO LET'S SEE. LIKE TO CALL TO ORDER
- 10 THE CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD'S
- 11 AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING ON THE APPEAL OF THE
- 12 DENIAL OF THE DEMENNO/KERDOON'S RECYCLING
- 13 EQUIPMENT TAX CREDIT APPLICATION.
- 14 WOULD THE SECRETARY CALL THE ROLL.
- 15 THE SECRETARY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
- 16 CHANDLER.
- 17 MEMBER CHANDLER: HERE.
- THE SECRETARY: BOARD MEMBER GOTCH.
- 19 MEMBER GOTCH: HERE.
- 20 THE SECRETARY: CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON.
- 21 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: HERE. QUORUM IS
- 22 PRESENT.
- 23 ALL THE PERSONS HERE TO TESTIFY ON
- 24 BEHALF OF THE APPELLANT PLEASE STAND AND BE
- 25 SWORN -- STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE COURT REPORTER,

- 1 AND SHE WILL SWEAR YOU IN.
- 2 MR. NEFF: JOSEPH NEFF WITH COOPERS &
- 3 LYBRAND.
- 4 MS. HAMILTON: EDITH HAMILTON WITH
- 5 COOPERS & LYBRAND.

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- 7 PROSPECTIVE WITNESSES,
- 8 HAVING BEEN FIRST DULY SWORN BY THE CERTIFIED
- 9 SHORTHAND REPORTER, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

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- 11 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: THANK YOU. OKAY.
- 12 NOW WE'LL HAVE THE STAFF GIVE US THEIR OVERVIEW
- 13 AND BACKGROUND.
- 14 MS. TRGOVCICH: MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
- 15 OF THE COMMITTEE, JAN WELCH -- JAN HOWARD -- I'M
- 16 SORRY -- OF THE WASTE PREVENTION AND MARKET
- 17 DEVELOPMENT DIVISION WILL BE PROVIDING A VERY
- 18 BRIEF BACKGROUND FOR YOU COVERING BOTH THE

PROGRAM

- 19 AND THE NATURE OF THE PROCESS THAT WE'VE GONE
- THROUGH. SO WITH THAT, I'D LIKE TO TURN IT
- OVER.
- MS. HOWARD: GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIRMAN

AND

- 22 COMMITTEE. MY NAME IS JAN HOWARD. I'M WITH THE
- 23 THAT WASTE PREVENTION AND MARKET DEVELOPMENT

24 DIVISION. I'M THE LEAD ANALYST FOR THE

RECYCLING

25 EQUIPMENT TAX CREDIT PROGRAM AND THE REVIEWING

2. THE RECYCLING EQUIPMENT TAX CREDIT 3 IS A 40-PERCENT TAX CREDIT FOR CALIFORNIA STATE 4 TAXPAYERS FOR OUALIFIED PROPERTY PURCHASED AND PUT 5 INTO OPERATION BY MANUFACTURERS. THE BOARD IS MANDATED BY STATUTE TO REVIEW TAX CREDIT 6 7 APPLICATIONS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE EQUIPMENT 8 MEETS ALL THE REQUIREMENTS AS QUALIFIED PROPERTY. 9 QUALIFIED PROPERTY IS DEFINED AS 10 MACHINERY OR EQUIPMENT WHICH IS USED BY THE 11 TAXPAYER EXCLUSIVELY TO MANUFACTURE FINISHED PRODUCTS COMPOSED OF AT LEAST 50 PERCENT SECONDARY 12 13 WASTE OF WHICH AT LEAST 10 PERCENT IS 14 POSTCONSUMER. THE STATUTE FURTHER DEFINES 15 POSTCONSUMER AND SECONDARY WASTE AS SOLID WASTE. SOLID WASTE, AS DEFINED IN THE PUBLIC RESOURCES 16 17 CODE, SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDES HAZARDOUS WASTE. 18 DEMENNO/KERDOON SUBMITTED THEIR 19 APPLICATION FOR ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE THE TAX CREDIT FEBRUARY 5TH, 1997, FOR THEIR ETHYLENE 20 21 GLYCOL DISTILLATION SYSTEM TO PROCESS USED

ANTIFREEZE AND COOLANT PRODUCTS TO PRODUCE

VIRGIN ETHYLENE GLYCOL.

ETHYLENE GLYCOL, WHICH CAN BE SUBSTITUTED FOR

ACCORDING TO THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF

ANALYST ON THE DEMENNO/KERDOON APPLICATION.

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- 1 REGULATIONS ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH STANDARDS FOR THE
- 2 MANAGEMENT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE, ETHYLENE GLYCOL IS
- 3 A HAZARDOUS WASTE.
- 4 ON MARCH 6, '97, STAFF DENIED
- 5 ELIGIBILITY BASED ON THE FACT THAT THE EQUIPMENT
- 6 PURCHASED BY DEMENNO/KERDOON IS USED EXCLUSIVELY
- 7 TO PROCESS HAZARDOUS WASTE, NOT SOLID WASTE AS
- 8 REQUIRED BY STATUTE.
- 9 APRIL 1ST, '97, BOARD ISSUED THE
- 10 LETTER NOTIFYING THE APPLICANT OF THE DENIAL WITH
- 11 PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW IF THE APPLICANT CHOSE TO
- 12 APPEAL THE DENIAL. MAY 29TH, THE APPLICANT
- 13 APPEALED THE DENIAL TO CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON, WHICH
- 14 BRINGS US TO WHY WE ARE HERE TODAY AND CONCLUDES
- 15 MY PRESENTATION.
- 16 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: OKAY. THANK YOU.
- 17 NOW, IF MR. NEFF AND MS. HAMILTON.
- 18 MR. NEFF: I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE
- 19 PROCEDURES, MR. CHAIRMAN. PLEASURE TO BE HERE.
- 20 OUR INTENT IS RELATIVELY SIMPLE TODAY. CERTAINLY
- 21 AS YOU ARE AWARE, ON BEHALF OF OUR CLIENT, WE HAVE
- 22 FILED AN APPLICATION FOR THE RECYCLING TAX CREDIT.
- 23 IN THAT CONTEXT AND BASED UPON THE
- 24 SUMMARY THAT'S BEEN GIVEN BY STAFF AND OUR
- 25 ANALYSIS, PRIMARILY A COUPLE OF ISSUES HAVE

- 1 ARISEN. INITIALLY, WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO AS WE
- 2 ADDRESS EACH ONE OF THE SPECIFICS AS WE REVIEWED
- 3 IT IN THE APPLICATION AND CERTAINLY ON THE APPEAL
- 4 WITH RESPECT TO THE DENIAL, WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS
- 5 FIRST INITIALLY TURN THE TIME OVER, WHICH SEEMS
- 6 APPROPRIATE, TO MY COLLEAGUE. SHE'LL BASICALLY
- 7 DESCRIBE WHAT THE PROCESS OF -- THE DISTILLATION
- 8 PROCESS IS AND THEN, SECONDLY, WE'LL RUN THROUGH
- 9 THE APPLICATION AND THEN STATUTORILY LOOK AT THE
- 10 CONSTRUCTION.
- 11 I THINK THE PRIMARY ISSUE THAT WE
- 12 WANT TO ADDRESS TODAY IS RELEVANT TO THE
- 13 DEFINITIONS. AND AS WE LOOK AT IT IN OUR PURVIEW,
- 14 WE'VE MET THE QUALIFICATION WITH RESPECT TO THE
- 15 APPLICATION, THE GENERAL INTENT, AND THE SPECIFIC
- 16 INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE IN ADAPTING THE CREDIT
- 17 FOR RECYCLING, AND THEN LOOKING AT SPECIFICALLY
- 18 THE STATUTORY LANGUAGE IN THE APPLICATION OF THE
- 19 DEFINITION OF QUALIFIED PROPERTY, WHICH RELATES

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- 20 PROPERTY AS RECYCLABLE, AND THEN SPECIFICALLY
- 21 LOOKING AT WHAT STAFF'S CONCLUSION AS TO

HAZARDOUS

- WASTE.
- 23 WITH THAT, I'LL TURN THE TIME TO
- 24 EDITH.

Please note: These transcripts are not individually reviewed and approved for accuracy.

MS. HAMILTON: I DO HAVE A CHART HERE.

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- 1 DON'T HAVE IT BLOWN UP.
- 2 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: THERE'S A MACHINE
- 3 RIGHT THERE IN THE -- I THINK CAREN IS GOING TO
- 4 SHOW YOU.
- 5 MS. HAMILTON: I THINK ACTUALLY I WILL
- 6 ZOOM IN A LITTLE BIT.
- 7 MR. NEFF: WE'RE EXPERTS AT THAT AS YOU
- 8 CAN TELL.
- 9 MS. HAMILTON: DEMENNO/KERDOON IS A
- 10 RECYCLER AND MANUFACTURER OF A VARIETY OF
- 11 DIFFERENT PRODUCTS. ONE OF THE PROCESSES THEY
- 12 HAVE INVOLVES TAKING ANTIFREEZE AND COOLANT FROM
- 13 SEVERAL DIFFERENT SOURCES, WHETHER IT BE A SERVICE
- 14 STATION, AN ECONO LUBE 'N TUNE -- THEY HAVE
- 15 SEVERAL COMPANIES THAT ARE TRANSPORTATION
- 16 COMPANIES -- LOS ANGELES BUS DISTRICT, THAT TYPE
- 17 OF INDUSTRY.
- THE USED ANTIFREEZE AND COOLANT
- 19 ARRIVES AT THEIR LOCATION, AND IT BEGINS A
- 20 DISTILLATION/RECYCLING/MANUFACTURING PROCESS.
- 21 EVERYTHING THAT IS RECEIVED AT DEMENNO/KERDOON
- 22 GOES OUT AS ANOTHER PRODUCT. THERE'S NO WASTE IN
- 23 IT.
- 24 AND THE PROCESS INVOLVES SEVERAL
- 25 THINGS. THE FIRST THING IS THE ANTIFREEZE THEY

- 1 RECEIVE REPRESENTS 70 PERCENT -- 70 TO 60 PERCENT
- 2 WATER, 30 TO 40 PERCENT ETHYLENE GLYCOL. IN THE
- 3 DISTILLATION PROCESS, THE CHEMICAL IS HEATED, THE
- 4 WATER IS PULLED OUT, AND IT GOES TO BE RECYCLED
- 5 THROUGH THE WATER DISTRICT.
- 6 NEXT, IF THERE'S ANY OIL THAT WAS A
- 7 WASTE PRODUCT IN THE COOLANT, THAT IS CAPTURED AND
- 8 GOES INTO A SEPARATE COMPONENT ALONG WITH ANY
- 9 SOLIDS OR RESIDUE, AND BOTH OF THOSE COMPONENTS
- 10 ARE COMBINED AND GO INTO AN ASPHALT MANUFACTURING
- 11 PROCESS THAT'S COMPLETED AT A LATER DATE, ALSO ON
- 12 THE SITE.
- 13 THEN THE -- BY THE TIME THAT'S DONE,
- 14 WHAT YOU'RE LEFT WITH IS PURE ETHYLENE GLYCOL,
- 15 WHICH IS THEN EITHER SOLD DIRECTLY AS THAT PRODUCT
- 16 TO CONSUMERS OR WATER IS ADDED BACK TO IT IN
- 17 ANYWHERE FROM A 60/40, 70/30 RATIO AND SOLD TO END
- 18 USERS.
- 19 SO IN FORMATION OF THE
- 20 MANUFACTURING, IT STARTS OUT AS SOMETHING THAT IS
- 21 UNDESIRABLE AND BECOMES A COMPONENT. CERTAIN
- THINGS BECOME A COMPONENT PART OF IT; OTHERS
- 23 FINISHED PRODUCT. AND WE REPEAT THE CYCLE OVER
- 24 AGAIN.
- 25 AND MY LITTLE DIAGRAM HERE KIND

OF

- 1 JUST SHOWS A LITTLE BIT OF WHAT THAT DOES. WE
- 2 JUST START OFF WITH OUR -- WHERE IT COMES FROM,
- 3 THEN WE SEE KIND OF HOW IT'S -- LET ME SEE IF I
- 4 CAN ZOOM OUT JUST A LITTLE BIT TO GET THE THREE
- 5 PROCESSES ALL IN ONE STEP. WHERE FILTRATION,
- 6 WHICH PULLS OUT THE OIL AND RESIDUE, THE
- 7 DISTILLATION, WHICH SEPARATES THE WATER FROM THE
- 8 ETHYLENE GLYCOL, AND YOU END UP WITH YOUR FINISHED
- 9 PRODUCT.
- 10 MR. NEFF: ALL RIGHT. WHAT WE'D LIKE TO
- 11 DO TODAY IS GENERICALLY LOOK AT SOME OF THE
- 12 APPLICATIONS, AND YOU HAVE THE STAFF DOCUMENT, I
- 13 BELIEVE, WHICH IS THE BRIEF THAT WAS PREPARED BY
- 14 STAFF WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUE WITH THE BRIEFING
- 15 PACKAGE.
- 16 FIRST OF ALL, YOU CAN SEE, AT LEAST
- ON THE INITIAL PAGE, THEY'RE LOOKING AT THERE'S
- 18 BASICALLY FIVE QUALIFICATIONS. THAT'S ON THE FACE
- 19 OF THE STATUTE, AND ALSO THAT'S INCORPORATED IN
- 20 THE APPLICATION. THOSE ARE BEING LOCATED IN
- 21 CALIFORNIA, OBVIOUSLY, WHICH WE QUALIFY FOR;
- 22 PLACED IN SERVICE DURING 1-1-89 AND TO 12-31-93,
- 23 WHICH WAS QUALIFIED.
- 24 THE OTHER ISSUE WAS -- THE OTHER
- QUALIFIER WAS PRODUCE MARKETABLE PRODUCT WITH

- 1 ECONOMIC VALUE FOR CONSUMERS, WHICH WE DO QUALIFY.
- 2 AND THEN THE FIFTH WAS TO UTILIZE SECONDARY AND
- 3 POSTCONSUMER WASTE DIVERTED FROM CALIFORNIA
- 4 WASTESTREAM, WHICH ALL THOSE FIVE POINTS, AT LEAST
- 5 WITH RESPECT TO APPLICATION GENERICALLY.
- 6 THE SYSTEM, AS YOU'VE SEEN, HAS BEEN
- 7 DESCRIBED BY MS. HAMILTON. AND IN THAT CONTEXT,
- 8 WITH FILING THE APPLICATION, WHEN WE DID OUR
- 9 INITIAL REVIEW, A LOOKING TO SEE WHETHER OR NOT
- 10 THERE WAS A QUALIFICATION FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE
- 11 FROM A TAX PERSPECTIVE -- AND OBVIOUSLY MY
- 12 BACKGROUND IS NOT IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL AREA, BUT
- 13 IS AS A TAX LAWYER AND HAVING BEEN INVOLVED, AT
- 14 LEAST WITH TAX ISSUES, THROUGHOUT THE MAJORITY OF
- 15 MY CAREER FOR THE LAST 18 YEARS. AND DEALING WITH
- 16 A NUMBER OF TAX CREDITS AND MOTIVATIONAL POINTS,
- 17 THERE'S A COUPLE ISSUES THAT WE'D LIKE TO ARISE.
- 18 FIRST OF ALL, THE CREDIT AS ENABLED
- 19 IN THE LEGISLATION, THE NAME OF THE LEGISLATION
- 20 AND THE ACTUAL STATUTORY CONTEXT IS FOUND IN
- 21 CALIFORNIA REVENUE TAXATION CODE 23612.5. AND THE
- 22 DENIAL OF THE APPLICATION SPECIFICALLY FOCUSES ON
- 23 AN ISSUE DEALING WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF SOLID
- 24 WASTE AND THE DEFINITION OF SUCH.
- 25 WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT, AS

- 1 WE RUN THROUGH THE ISSUES THAT ARE SUMMARIZED IN
- 2 YOUR BRIEFING DOCUMENT, EXACTLY HOW THAT
- 3 APPLICATION APPLIES AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, TO DRAW
- 4 THE ONE SPECIFIC CONCLUSION IS IS THAT THERE IS
- 5 GENERAL LATITUDE AS TO THE DEFINITION OF SOLID
- 6 WASTE.
- 7 SPECIFICALLY THE STATUTE STATES, AND
- 8 YOU CAN LOOK IN YOUR BRIEFING DOCUMENT, SAYS THAT
- 9 DEFINED WASTE ELIGIBLE FOR THE TAX CREDIT -- TAX
- 10 CREDIT AS ONLY THOSE PRODUCTS, ELLIPSIS, WHICH
- 11 HAVE SERVED THEIR INTENDED END USES WOULD NORMALLY
- 12 BE DISPOSED OF AS SOLID WASTE. AND WHAT I WANT TO
- DO TO BE ABLE TO GET YOU TO THE CONTEXT OF AND
- 14 CERTAINLY LOOKING -- THERE'S REALLY -- HOPEFULLY
- 15 WE CAN PAINT AN ATMOSPHERE HERE.
- 16 AND THERE'S ONE ISSUE DEALING WITH
- 17 THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES WHICH LOOK INTO THE
- 18 DEFINITION WITHIN THE STATUTE AND THE APPLICATION
- 19 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE. THERE'S ANOTHER
- 20 ISSUE THAT RELATES TO THE TAXING SIDE AND FROM A
- 21 TAX PERSPECTIVE FROM A TAX CONSTRUCTION SCHEME.
- 22 AND REALLY GIVING THE OPEN LATITUDE
- 23 WITH ONE WITH THE GENERAL INTENT AND TO PROVIDING
- 24 CREDITS TO TAKE OFF RECYCLABLE ITEMS, WHICH THE
- 25 PRODUCT THAT OUR CLIENT DISTILLS IS A RECYCLED

1 PRODUCT BY THE DEFINITION BECAUSE IT IS

RECYCLABLE

- 2 AND REUSED, AND IN LOOKING TO THE APPLICATION OF
- 3 WHAT DEFINITION SHOULD BE USED AS RELATING TO
- 4 SOLID WASTE.
- 5 THE BOARD HAS CONCLUDED,
- 6 SPECIFICALLY AND EXCLUSIVELY, THAT SOLID WASTE IS
- 7 NONHAZARDOUS WASTE. AND WHAT WE WOULD PROPOSE
- 8 TODAY, YOU CAN SEE, IS WE OUTLINED THE SIX ISSUES
- 9 THAT WE'VE ADDRESSED IN OUR INITIAL PETITION IN
- 10 OUR APPLICATION AND THEN, SECONDLY, IN OUR APPEAL
- 11 THAT IT RELATES TO THE ISSUE OF WOULD NORMALLY BE
- 12 DISPOSED OF AS SOLID WASTE.
- 13 WE TAKE THE POSITION IS THAT

THERE'S

14 OBVIOUSLY LATITUDE AS TO THE DEFINITION OF AN

ITEM

- 15 THAT WOULD BE ASSOCIATED NORMALLY DISPOSED OF AS
- 16 SOLID WASTE. BOARD IS TAKING THE POSITION -- I
- 17 KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO WORK WITH ME ON THIS
- 18 ONE -- IS THAT VERY SPECIFICALLY THEY SAID SOLID
- 19 WASTE, NO IF, ANDS, OR BUTS, EXCLUSIVELY,
- 20 SPECIFICALLY IS BY THEIR DEFINITION, AS IT

RELATES

- TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, IS NONHAZARDOUS
- WASTE.

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- 1 CONCLUDE THAT WOULD NORMALLY BE DISPOSED OF
- 2 DOESN'T MEAN EXCLUSIVELY, SOLELY. WOULD NORMALLY
- 3 MEANS THAT MOST OF THE TIME, GENERALLY, PROBABLY,
- 4 BUT IT DOESN'T MEAN EXCLUSIVE.
- 5 AND I THINK IF WE LOOK BACK AT WHAT
- 6 THE GENERAL INTENT OF THE LEGISLATION WAS, WE'LL
- 7 OPEN THE OPPORTUNITY FOR INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN
- 8 MANUFACTURING TO HAVE RECYCLABLE PRODUCTS. I
- 9 THINK WE FIT THAT DEFINITION AND SHOULDN'T BE
- 10 SPECIFICALLY LIMITING.
- 11 AS THE ISSUE ONE, YOU CAN SEE, AS IS
- 12 POINTED OUT, OUR PRIMARY ISSUE THAT WAS RELATED TO
- 13 IN THE SUMMARY THAT WE LOOKED AT, PURSUANT TO
- 14 THIS, STATES THAT PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION
- 15 40141 DOES NOT SPECIFICALLY STATE ETHYLENE

GLYCOL

- 16 IS A HAZARDOUS WASTE.
- THE BOARD'S RESPONSE WAS THAT

THEY

- 18 LOOK TO A COUPLE OF SPECIFICS. ONE IS 40141
- 19 PROVIDES A DEFINITION WHICH COINCIDES WITH THE
- 20 DEFINITION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE FOUND IN THE

HEALTH

21 AND SAFETY CODE. WHAT WE WOULD TAKE THE

POSITION

22 IS IS, AGAIN, THAT THE BOARD HAS SELECTED

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- 1 WASTE PRODUCT AS BEING HAZARDOUS. ON THE OTHER
- 2 CONTEXT AND THAT WOULD BE LOOKED AT VERY
- 3 EXCLUSIVELY.
- 4 AND ALL THE RESPONSES THAT WE'VE
- 5 RECEIVED BACK FROM THE BOARD HAS RELATED TO THE
- 6 EXCLUSIVITY OF ANYTHING THAT PERHAPS MAY BE
- 7 HAZARDOUS AS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEFINITION. IN
- 8 OUR CONTEXT WE TAKE THE OPPOSITE OF THAT AND SAID
- 9 IN THE PROBABILITY OR WOULD LIKELY BE DISPOSED AS
- 10 A SOLID WASTE LEAVES LATITUDE TO CERTAIN OTHER
- 11 ITEMS. AND THAT'S THE CONSTRUCTION THAT THEY
- 12 DEALT WITH.
- 13 AND WHAT WE WOULD PROPOSE, AT LEAST
- 14 WHAT OUR STATED POSITION WOULD BE IS THAT, NOT
- 15 NECESSARILY AS IT RELATED TO HAZARDOUS WASTE OR
- 16 SOLID WASTE, BUT THERE'S A NUMBER OF DEFINITIONS
- 17 WE COULD LOOK TO. AND THROUGHOUT THAT WE HAVE --
- 18 THERE'S ESSENTIALLY THREE OR FOUR OF THE OTHER
- 19 FOLLOWING ISSUES THAT LOOK SPECIFICALLY TO THE
- 20 CONTEXT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE COULD BE DEFINED BY THE
- 21 FEDERAL LEGISLATION, WHICH WOULD NOT INCLUDE THIS
- 22 SPECIFIC PRODUCT AS HAZARDOUS. WE COULD LOOK TO
- 23 THE HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE THAT WOULD NOT ALSO
- 24 DESCRIBE IT AS BEING HAZARDOUS. AND THROUGHOUT
- 25 THAT THERE'S A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT LATITUDES OF

- 1 BEING ABLE TO BE ABLE TO CONSTRUED.
- 2 AND THAT WOULD MEASURE UP WITH OUR
- 3 CONCLUSION, OR AT LEAST WITH THE INTENDED
- 4 LEGISLATIVE INTENT WAS TO PROVIDE AN OPEN
- 5 DEFINITION WITH RESPECT TO WHAT IS SOLID WASTE
- 6 BECAUSE BY THE SPECIFIC, IT WOULD NOT ALWAYS HAVE
- 7 TO BE SOLID WASTE BECAUSE IT SAYS IT WOULD
- 8 PROBABLY BE DISPOSED AS SOLID WASTE.
- 9 SPECIFICALLY, IF YOU LOOK AT SOME
- 10 OF THE ISSUES, AND, AGAIN, LOOKING AT OUR ISSUES
- 11 WHICH WOULD BE NO. 5 AND SO FORTH, AND THEN
- 12 DEALING WITH SOME OF THE FEDERAL ISSUES THAT ARE
- 13 ASSOCIATED WITH THAT, AND THEN ALSO WHAT THE
- 14 CATEGORY OF ASPHALT AND TIRES, THAT WE RAISE THE
- 15 POINT THAT, AGAIN, SIMILAR TYPE OF PRODUCTS BY
- 16 DEFINITION OR EVEN BY THE PUBLIC VIEW, WE WOULD
- 17 LOOK AND SAY THAT THESE ARE OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY
- 18 BE DEEMED TO BE HAZARDOUS. AT PART OF THE TIME
- 19 DURING THE PROGRAM, THEY WERE DEEMED TO BE SUBJECT
- 20 TO THE RECYCLING CREDIT. AT OTHER TIMES THEY WERE
- 21 NOT.
- 22 AND SO, AGAIN, WE FEEL THAT THERE
- 23 WAS OBVIOUSLY A FLUX ON THE SIDE OF BEING WHAT
- 24 CLASSIFICATIONS ARE. AND THROUGHOUT THAT TO THE
- 25 LIFETIME OF THE CREDIT, WHICH IS NOT EMPOWERED AT

- 1 THIS POINT, THAT THERE WERE A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT
- 2 ISSUES THAT RELATED TO THE CREDITS AND SO FORTH.
- 3 WITH RESPECT TO -- AGAIN, IF WE
- 4 COULD JUST TURN TO ISSUE 5, THAT EVEN IN THE EVENT
- 5 THAT -- AND, AGAIN, OUR SUMMARY OF OUR ISSUE IS
- 6 UNDERNEATH THE REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE, THERE
- 7 WAS A GENERAL INTENT. THAT INTENT WAS TO PROVIDE
- 8 AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MANUFACTURERS DURING THE
- 9 PRIMARY PURPOSE AS STATED IN THE ASSEMBLY BILL
- 10 THAT THE ENABLING LEGISLATION WAS PUT IN PLACE TO
- 11 BE ABLE TO TAKE OUT OF THE WASTESTREAM PRODUCT
- 12 THAT WOULD BE VIEWED TO -- THAT COULD BE POSSIBLY
- 13 RECYCLED.
- OUR CLIENT AND OUR PROCESS AND THE
- 15 DISTILLATION PROCESS HAS TAKEN A PRODUCT THAT'S
- 16 UNFAVORABLE, CONTINUES TO RECYCLE THAT. IT'S IN

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- 17 CAPTURED ENVIRONMENT AND WOULD CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
- 18 THIS -- THIS TYPE OF PRODUCT, THE ETHYLENE GLYCOL,
- 19 AND PROVIDE THAT TO OTHER RESELLERS.
- 20 AND THROUGHOUT THAT, AT LEAST FROM
- 21 OUR PERSPECTIVE, WE TAKE THE POSITION, AND
- 22 CONSISTENTLY IF WE WERE TO LOOK AT OURSELVES AS

- CONSUMERS, IF WE WERE TO LOOK AT OURSELVES
- OBVIOUSLY AS CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
- 25 THAT THE INTENT WOULD BE IS THAT IF THERE IS A

- 1 GENERAL RECYCLING TAX CREDIT. AND THOSE TAX
- 2 CREDITS, FROM BEING A TAX PRACTITIONER, GENERALLY
- 3 THAT THOSE TAX CREDITS ARE LOOKED TO BE ABLE TO
- 4 LEGISLATE CERTAIN DESIRED BEHAVIOR. THAT DESIRED
- 5 BEHAVIOR WOULD BE ABLE TO INCENTIVIZE BUSINESSES
- 6 AND MANUFACTURERS TO RECYCLE AND CERTAINLY RECYCLE
- 7 PRODUCTS THAT WOULD BE DEEMED TO BE UNFAVORABLE.
- 8 AND ONE OF THOSE PRODUCTS THAT WOULD BE
- 9 UNFAVORABLE PERHAPS FROM A CONTAMINATORY
- 10 STANDPOINT WOULD BE ANTIFREEZE. AND SO IN THAT
- 11 CONTEXT, WE SPECIFICALLY LOOK AND SAY AS A
- 12 CONSUMER, WE WOULD WANT THIS TO BE RECYCLED, BE
- 13 TAKEN OUT OF THE WASTESTREAM TO BE REEMPLOYED TO
- 14 BE PUT INTO A PROCESS THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR
- 15 THE TAX CREDIT.
- ON THE OTHER SIDE IS FROM AN
- 17 ENVIRONMENTAL PERSPECTIVE, WHERE THE BOARD IS,
- 18 THEY'RE LOOKING AT VERY SPECIFICALLY STRUCTURING
- 19 THEIR CONCLUSION AS IT RELATES TO THE EXCLUSIVITY
- 20 AS TO SOLID WASTE. BUT I THINK IF YOU LOOK AT AND
- 21 IF YOU LOOK AT SPECIFICALLY THE STATUTE, IT SAYS
- 22 WOULD PROBABLY BE DISPOSED OF AS SOLID WASTE.
- 23 AND SO THE CONCLUSION COULD BE IS
- 24 THAT STAFF COULD USE THE DEFINITIONS FOUND IN THE
- 25 PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE, THEY COULD LOOK TO FEDERAL

- 1 LEGISLATION, WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT
- 2 ETHYLENE GLYCOL IS NOT HAZARDOUS, AND DURING THE
- 3 PERIOD OF TIME, EVEN TO THE ACTUAL APPLICATION OF
- 4 THE CREDIT PROGRAM, THAT CERTAIN ITEMS AS TIRES
- 5 AND ASPHALT WERE NOT AVAILABLE FOR THE CREDIT, AND
- 6 THAT THERE WAS A CONTINUED FLUX.
- 7 AND SO OUR BASIC CONCLUSION WOULD BE
- 8 IS THAT THE AVAILABILITY FROM THE LEGISLATOR FROM
- 9 THE TAX PERSPECTIVE WAS TO MOTIVATE TAXPAYERS TO
- 10 RECYCLE. WITHOUT A DOUBT ON THE FACE OF THE
- 11 DOCUMENT, IF YOU LOOK AT THE APPLICATION, IF YOU
- 12 LOOK AT THE STATUTE, EVERYTHING RELATES TO A TAX
- 13 CREDIT. AND WE WOULD VIEW THAT THAT THE TAX
- 14 CREDIT SHOULD BE CONSTRUED IN FAVOR OF THE
- 15 TAXPAYER, WHICH MOST TAX CREDITS ARE, AND THAT IT
- 16 SHOULD BE GIVEN LIBERAL CONSTRUCTION AND THAT THE
- 17 DEFINITION WOULD APPLY TO THAT CONTEXT.
- 18 AND IN SUMMARY, THAT'S PRETTY IT IN
- 19 A NUTSHELL. FROM OUR CONTEXT, A LITTLE BIT TOO
- 20 STATUTORY INVOLVED AND FROM A CONSTRUCTION, BUT WE
- 21 DO FEEL, STRONGLY FEEL, AND IF WE WERE LOOKING OUT
- 22 THERE AND SAID IF WE'RE RECYCLERS, WE'RE LOOKING
- 23 FOR CREDITS AND THE APPLICATION WAS BROAD, THAT IT
- 24 PROVIDES A GOOD SERVICE RATHER THAN BEING DUMPED
- 25 IN CONTAMINATED PROPERTY, WHETHER IT BEING SHIPPED

- 1 OR DEALT INTO PERHAPS AN UNFAVORABLE SETTING.
- 2 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: I TAKE IT THAT YOUR
- 3 ARGUMENT IS, IF I MAY REDUCE IT DOWN HERE, THAT --
- 4 I GET TWO THINGS. ONE IS YOU THINK THAT WE'RE
- 5 INTERPRETING THE DEFINITION OF SOLID WASTE TOO
- 6 NARROWLY. AND THAT IF WE TOOK A BROADER LOOK AT
- 7 IT, IT WOULD INCLUDE THIS ANTIFREEZE MATERIAL.
- 8 AND THE OTHER THING IS IS THAT YOU ARE SUGGESTING
- 9 THAT THE LAW WAS INTENDED TO COVER A BROADER AREA
- 10 THAN WE'RE APPLYING IT.
- MR. NEFF: CORRECT.
- 12 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: OKAY. ANY
- 13 QUESTIONS OF THESE FOLKS?
- 14 MR. CHANDLER: LET ME TAKE THAT A LITTLE
- 15 BIT FARTHER. YOU KNOW, YOUR CLIENT, ASSUMING YOU
- 16 ARE AWARE, IS PROBABLY A CERTIFIED HAULER UNDER
- 17 THE REGULATIONS OF DTSC AS A HAULER OF HAZARDOUS
- 18 WASTE. HAVE YOU INQUIRED WITH THAT DEPARTMENT HOW
- 19 THEY VIEW THIS INTERPRETATION, THAT THIS MATERIAL
- 20 FALLS UNDER THE PURVIEW OF THE WASTE BOARD'S
- 21 MANAGED PROGRAM AND WHETHER OR NOT DTSC HAS A
- 22 PROGRAM THAT APPLIES TO THIS MATERIAL; IN OTHER
- 23 WORDS, A TAX CREDIT PROGRAM FOR WHAT WE CONSIDER
- 24 HAZARDOUS WASTE.

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25 MR. NEFF: I THINK ONE OF THE ISSUES

- 1 WE DID RAISE, AND I THINK WAS A RESPONSE IN THE
- 2 STAFF'S BRIEF, WAS IS THAT IF THERE WAS AN ISSUE
- 3 WITH DEALING WITH THE STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION, IT
- 4 SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE PERHAPS BY THE TOXIC
- 5 SUBSTANCE, WHATEVER THAT GROUP IS THAT YOU JUST
- 6 TALKED ABOUT. OKAY. AND FROM THAT PERSPECTIVE,
- 7 THERE'S NOT A SIMILAR PROGRAM. IT WAS PURELY
- 8 LOOKED AS A RECYCLABLE ISSUE, HAS NOTHING TO
- 9 REALLY DEAL WITH THE CONTEXT BECAUSE, AGAIN,
- 10 YOU'RE AUTOMATICALLY MAKING THE CONCLUSION, I
- 11 GUESS, THAT IT'S HAZARDOUS IN THAT CONTEXT AND
- 12 FROM A DEFINITION STANDPOINT.
- 13 AND WHAT WE DO IS WE LOOK AT IT FROM
- A BROAD-BASED PERSPECTIVE, SAY IT'S A RECYCLABLE
- 15 ITEM, THAT'S NOT A SIMILARLY SITUATED TYPE TAX
- 16 CREDIT. IT'S PURELY AN INCOME TAX CREDIT. AND
- 17 FROM AN ADMINISTRATION STANDPOINT, WHEN THE
- 18 LEGISLATIVE'S ANALYSIS LOOKED AT IT AND SAID IT'S
- 19 RECYCLING -- IT SHOULD BE IN THE RECYCLING
- 20 CATEGORY AND NOT AS A TOXIC -- DEALING WITH A
- 21 TOXICITY ISSUE.
- HOW IT'S DEFINED, I THINK THEY
- 23 FOLLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
- 24 INFORMATION, AND I'M NOT SURE IF IT'S -- WHAT
- 25 ETHYLENE GLYCOL IS. I THINK THEY ADOPT THE

- 1 FEDERAL PROVISIONS DEALING WITH EPA STANDARDS.
- 2 MS. TRGOVCICH: JUST FOR THE COMMITTEE
- 3 MEMBERS, WE DIDN'T INCLUDE IT IN THE ACTUAL
- 4 WRITEUP, BUT JUST FOR CLARIFICATION PURPOSES, THE
- 5 STATUTE WAS ENACTED IN 1989, THE SAME YEAR AS OUR
- 6 PRINCIPAL CORE LAW, THE INTEGRATED WASTE
- 7 MANAGEMENT ACT. IT WAS AUTHORED BY ASSEMBLYWOMAN
- 8 KILLEA, WHO AUTHORED MANY OF THE OTHER PROCUREMENT
- 9 AND INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS OF OUR
- 10 LAW. SO WE JUST -- WE DID NOT INCLUDE THAT, AND I
- 11 JUST WANTED TO MAKE THAT STATEMENT FOR THE RECORD.
- 12 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: ANY QUESTIONS?
- 13 MEMBER GOTCH: I THINK MR. CHANDLER
- 14 COVERED THE TWO QUESTIONS REGARDING IF TOXICS HAD
- 15 A SIMILAR TAX CREDIT. NO, I DON'T.
- 16 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: OKAY. THANK YOU,
- 17 AND WE'LL HEAR FROM OUR COUNSEL.
- 18 MS. BORZELLERI: I JUST WANTED TO RESPOND
- 19 BRIEFLY TO MR. NEFF'S ARGUMENTS. AS YOU CAN SEE
- 20 IN OUR ANALYSIS OF THE INFORMATION, WE DO, IN
- 21 FACT, THINK THAT THE BOARD DOES NEED TO TAKE A
- 22 NARROW INTERPRETATION OF THIS. CERTAINLY THE
- 23 LANGUAGE "WOULD NORMALLY BE DISPOSED OF" MIGHT
- IN
- 24 OTHER CONTEXT -- IN OTHER CONTEXT BE SUBJECT TO
- 25 ANOTHER CONSTRUCTION, BUT THE WASTE BOARD HAS

- 1 TAKEN A PARTICULAR VIEW OF WHAT THAT MEANS. AND
- 2 WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS ACTUALLY DIVERSION
- 3 FROM THE LANDFILL. THAT'S A TERM OF ART FOR THE
- 4 WASTE BOARD, AND I DON'T THINK WE CAN TAKE THE
- 5 ORDINARY BROAD VIEW OF IT IN THIS CASE.
- 6 AS WE HAD MENTIONED BEFORE, PRC
- 7 SECTION 40141, ALTHOUGH IT DOESN'T SPECIFICALLY
- 8 STATE THAT ETHYLENE GLYCOL IS A HAZARDOUS WASTE,
- 9 IT PROVIDES A DEFINITION THAT'S VERY SIMILAR TO
- 10 WHAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL
- 11 PROVIDES. AND THE DEPARTMENT HAS, IN FACT, NAMED
- 12 ETHYLENE GLYCOL IN ITS REGULATIONS AS A HAZARDOUS
- 13 WASTE. AND WE HAVE ALWAYS RELIED ON THE
- 14 DEPARTMENT IN MAKING THOSE DETERMINATIONS. AND
- 15 SINCE OUR LAW SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDES FROM SOLID
- 16 WASTE HAZARDOUS WASTE, WE DON'T SEE HOW THIS CAN
- 17 BE BROUGHT IN.
- 18 TURNING TO THE OTHER ISSUE THAT YOU
- 19 HAD RAISED ABOUT THE GENERAL INTENT OF THE
- 20 LEGISLATURE, WE GO BACK TO OUR INTERPRETATION OF
- 21 THE REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE, THAT THEY WOULD
- 22 HAVE SPECIFIED HAZARDOUS WASTE IN THEIR -- I THINK
- 23 LEGISLATURE DOES KNOW THAT IN THIS STATE WE MAKE A
- 24 CLEAR DISTINCTION AND WOULD HAVE SPECIFICALLY
- 25 STATED HAZARDOUS WASTE HAD THEY MEANT THAT.

- 1 THE OTHER ASPECT OF IT IS, AS CAREN
- 2 MENTIONED, THIS LEGISLATION WAS BROUGHT IN AND THE
- 3 WASTE BOARD WAS DIRECTED TO BE THE ADMINISTRATIVE
- 4 BODY TO HANDLE THAT. I'M SURE THAT THE AUTHOR
- 5 KNEW THAT THE WASTE BOARD DOES NOT DEAL WITH
- 6 HAZARDOUS WASTE AND PROBABLY WOULD HAVE CLEARLY
- 7 MENTIONED THE DEPARTMENT OF TOXICS OR THE DIVISION
- 8 OF TOXICS WHEN IT WAS UNDER HEALTH SERVICES.
- 9 SO THAT'S BASICALLY OUR
- 10 INTERPRETATION OF THE STATUTE. THAT CONCLUDES MY
- 11 PRESENTATION FOR THE BOARD.
- 12 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: WHERE WOULD THIS
- 13 MATERIAL BE DISPOSED OF IF IT WASN'T BEING
- 14 RECYCLED? AT A HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY OR WOULD
- 15 IT BE --
- MS. BORZELLERI: YES.
- 17 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: OKAY. OKAY. DO
- 18 WE -- ARE WE SUPPOSED TO MAKE A DECISION NOW?
- MS. BORZELLERI: THE PROCEDURES THAT WERE
- 20 DEVELOPED -- THAT THE BOARD HAD ADOPTED GIVE TEN
- 21 DAYS FOR THE COMMITTEE TO MAKE A DETERMINATION.
- THAT'S BASICALLY TEN DAYS, NOT TEN WORKING DAYS,
- 23 AND IT SAYS WE WILL ISSUE A WRITTEN DECISION TO
- 24 THE APPELLANT WITHIN THAT PERIOD OF TIME.
- 25 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: OKAY. IF THERE'S

- 1 NO FURTHER OUESTIONS.
- 2 MEMBER GOTCH: NO FURTHER QUESTIONS. I
- 3 WOULD LIKE TO SAY I LIKE WHAT YOU ARE DOING. I'M
- 4 GLAD THAT YOU ARE DOING WHAT YOU ARE DOING. AND
- 5 I'LL LEAVE IT AT THAT.
- 6 MR. NEFF: MAY I ADDRESS THAT ISSUE?
- 7 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: SURE.
- 8 MR. NEFF: IN THAT CONTEXT IS THAT --
- 9 AGAIN, I'M A VICE CHAIR OF THE AMERICAN BAR
- 10 ASSOCIATION FOR STATE TAXATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL
- 11 ISSUES. I'VE BEEN INVOLVED WITH CONSERVATION TAX
- 12 AND SO FORTH AND DEALING WITH CONSTRUCTIONS IN THE
- 13 STATES OF UTAH, WITH WYOMING. I WAS TAX COUNSEL
- 14 FOR TEXACO FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS AND SO FORTH.
- 15 AND HAVING DEALT WITH MORE ON THE
- 16 TAXATION SIDE DEALING WITH RESPECT TO ENVIRON-
- 17 MENTAL TAXES AND CONSERVATION ACTS, I FOUND IT
- 18 EXTREMELY PECULIAR THAT IN THE CONTEXT WHERE YOU
- 19 HAVE A TAX CREDIT WHICH IS MOTIVATED SPECIFICALLY
- 20 AND EXPRESSLY FOR CLEANING UP AND FOR RECYCLING OF
- 21 PRODUCTS, THAT THE PRIORITY OF THE LEGISLATURE AND
- 22 THE PRIORITY OF THIS BOARD WOULD NOT BE THE
- 23 RECYCLING OF PRODUCTS THAT MAY BE DEEMED TO BE
- 24 HAZARDOUS.
- 25 AND AGAIN, I WOULD THINK THAT WOULD

- 1 BE THE FIRST PRIORITY, AT LEAST FROM A LEGISLATIVE
- 2 PERSPECTIVE. CERTAINLY YOUR ARGUMENT THAT THE
- 3 INDIVIDUAL WHO DRAFTED THAT WAS VERY FAMILIAR WITH
- 4 THOSE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, THAT I WOULD REASON ON
- 5 THE OTHER SIDE THAT THE ABSOLUTE CONCLUSION WOULD
- 6 BE IS THAT THAT WOULD BE THE PRIMARY INTENT.
- 7 AND IN THAT CONTEXT, IF YOU LOOK AT
- 8 THROUGHOUT -- I'VE DEALT WITH ISSUES IN ALASKA,
- 9 I'VE DEALT WITH ISSUES IN CALIFORNIA ON THE
- 10 GENERATION, ON THE DISPOSAL SITES, AND SO FORTH
- 11 DEALING WITH TAXATION, AND THAT HAS ALWAYS BEEN A
- 12 PRIORITY AND THE PRIMARY PURPOSE FOR WHICH
- 13 RECYCLING CREDITS HAVE BEEN AN APPLICATION.
- 14 IN THAT APPLICATION I'M SOMEWHAT
- 15 PUZZLED IF I WAS A CONSUMER, IF I WAS AN
- 16 INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS LOOKING AT THIS CREDIT, AND IF
- 17 I PUT MY TAX LAWYER HAT ON AND LOOKED SPECIFICALLY
- 18 AT THAT AND LOOKED AT MEETING THE QUALIFICATIONS,
- 19 THAT WHETHER OR NOT WHAT PROCEDURES OR WHAT
- 20 STATUTES THAT YOU LOOK AT, THAT YOU CAN COME UP
- 21 WITH TWO DIFFERENT CONCLUSIONS.
- 22 AND ONE CONCLUSION IS, IF YOU LOOK
- 23 AT THE CONSTRUCTION THAT THE BOARD LOOKS AT
- 24 DEALING WITH THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE OF SOLID
- 25 WASTE BEING EXCLUDED FROM HAZARDOUS WASTE, IF

- 1 LOOK AT FEDERAL LEGISLATION, BY DEFINITION THE
- 2 PRODUCT WOULD NOT BE NONHAZARDOUS. IT WOULD BE
- 3 RECYCLABLE. BUT EVEN IN THE CONTEXT OF, IF YOU
- 4 LOOK AT THE HAZARDOUS WASTE DEFINITION, CONTINUES
- 5 TO VARY. AND IF YOU LOOKED AT THE CHLORINE OR THE
- 6 WATER THAT SITS IN THE SWIMMING POOL THAT'S
- 7 FLUSHED DOWN, BUT I WOULD THINK THAT THE PRIMARY
- 8 INTENT WOULD BE TO BE ABLE TO TAKE THIS TYPE OF
- 9 PRODUCT, HAVE IT USED, AND HAVE IT CLEANED UP, AND
- 10 BE RECYCLED.
- 11 AND IF YOU LOOK AT IT JUST FROM A
- 12 LAYMAN'S PERSPECTIVE, IF THERE'S A TAX CREDIT AND
- 13 IT'S REFLECTIVE TO RECYCLING, AND THIS IS A
- 14 RECYCLING PROCESS THAT TAKES OFF A SUBSTANCE
- 15 THAT'S UNFAVORABLE AND PUTS IT IN THE CONTEXT
- 16 WHERE NO MORE OF THAT SUBSTANCE WOULD HAVE TO BE
- 17 MANUFACTURED AND IT WOULD BE CAPTIVE WITHIN A
- 18 CERTAIN ENVIRONMENT, THAT IT MAKES SENSE TO ME
- 19 THAT SHOULD BE THE CONCLUSION OF THE BOARD.
- 20 SO CONTINUALLY I GUESS YOU COULD
- 21 TAKE THE WORST-CASE SCENARIO OF TAKING ONLY THINGS
- 22 THAT WERE PLEASANT THAT COULD BE RECYCLED, THAT
- 23 WOULD BE THE INTENT OF THE COMMITTEE. WE COULD
- 24 RECYCLE, YOU KNOW, SHOE POLISH OR WHATEVER THOSE
- 25 THINGS THAT WOULD HAVE HAZARDOUS WASTE CONTENTS IN

- 1 THAT; BUT IF YOU HAD SOMETHING, THE MOST
- 2 FAVORABLE, WONDERFUL THINGS IN THE WORLD SHOULD BE
- 3 ONLY RECYCLED, I WOULD THINK THE ALTERNATIVE TO
- 4 THAT WOULD BE IS YOU WANT TO TAKE THE UNPLEASANT
- 5 THINGS IN OUR LIFE AND TAKE THE UNPLEASANT
- 6 SUBSTANCES IN LIFE AND THAT SHOULD BE CONSTRUCTIVE
- 7 AND SHOULD BE THE CONTROLLING POINT.
- 8 BUT I AGAIN SAY IS FROM A
- 9 CONSTRUCTION PERSPECTIVE, AND IT WAS SOMEWHAT OF
- 10 AN ESOTERIC POINT, OKAY, BUT THE POINT IS VERY
- 11 SIMPLY IF THE LEGISLATURE WOULD HAVE INTENDED AND
- 12 THE CONSTRUCTION FOR TAX CREDITS IS TO MOTIVATE
- 13 SOCIAL POLICY, UNLIKE ANY TAXING NATION IN THE
- 14 WORLD, OKAY, AND BEING AN ADJUNCT PROFESSOR AT TWO
- 15 SCHOOLS, THAT IF YOU LOOK TO THAT ANALYSIS THAT
- 16 THE UNITED STATES HAS CONTINUALLY MOTIVATED SOCIAL
- 17 POLICY AND MANUFACTURING AND BUSINESS ECONOMICS TO
- 18 PROVIDING INCENTIVES. THIS IS AN INCENTIVE FOR A
- 19 RECYCLER.
- 20 THIS IS -- OUR CLIENT IS AN
- 21 INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS A GROUP OF COMPANIES THAT
- 22 PROVIDE A TREMENDOUS SERVICE BY TAKING SUBSTANCE
- 23 THAT MAY BE DEEMED TO BE HARMFUL, THAT MAY BE
- 24 CONTAMINATORY, AND TAKING THEM OUT OF THE
- 25 MARKETPLACE AND CONTINUE THEM IN. AND FOR US TO

- 1 SIT BACK AND SAY THAT THAT CONSTRUCTION SHOULD BE
- NARROWLY CONSTRUED, AND EVEN IF YOU WERE NARROWLY
- 3 CONSTRUED, WHETHER IT'S A TERM OF ART, WHETHER
- 4 IT'S A TERM OF COURTS, THAT IT SAYS THAT THESE ARE
- 5 ITEMS THAT NORMALLY WOULD BE DISPOSED OF AS SOLID
- 6 WASTE AND BECAUSE THEN THE NEXT PROVISION -- THE
- 7 NEXT STEP ON THAT LADDER SAYS SOLID WASTE DOESN'T
- 8 MEAN HAZARDOUS WASTE, EXCLUDES HAZARDOUS WASTE, WE
- 9 CAN GO DOWN AND LOOK AT THE FEDERAL LEGISLATION,
- 10 WE CAN LOOK AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.
- 11 THERE'S OTHER PROVISIONS THAT SPECIFICALLY STATE
- 12 IF WE WERE TO GO DOWN AND JUST TAKE A RIGHT TURN
- 13 INSTEAD OF A LEFT TURN THAT WOULD CONCLUDE THAT
- 14 THOSE ITEMS WOULD BE NONTAXABLE.
- 15 SO GIVEN THAT ATMOSPHERE FROM AN
- 16 ENVIRONMENTAL PERSPECTIVE OF WHICH WAY YOU CAN
- 17 TURN, RIGHT OR LEFT, OR WHETHER OR NOT YOU CAN
- 18 LOOK AT THE BROAD POLICY OF TAXING INCENTIVES

THROUGHOUT THE COURSE OF THE UNITED STATES, OUT OF THE COURSE OF CALIFORNIA, THAT IT'S PROBABLY

CONSTRUED AND THOSE TAX CREDITS SHOULD BE IN

PLACE. AND WITH THAT I THANK YOU.

CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: THANK YOU. WE WILL ABIDE BY THE LAW AND LET YOU KNOW WITHIN THE TEN-DAY PERIOD.

MR. NEFF: THANK YOU.

CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: ANYBODY ELSE HAVE 3 ANYTHING TO ADD TO

HAT? IF NOT, WE'LL ADJOURN. 4 THANK YOU.

6 (END OF PROCEEDINGS AT 3:10 P.M.)